

PATENT APPLICATION

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For: METHOD FOR MANAGING MULTIPLE FAILURES OF DIFFERENT TYPE IN RING-SHAPED TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

May 30, 2007:

**REMARKS**

During the interview, the following was discussed: Patentability of claims 1, 4, 8, and 13-16.

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None
2. Identification of claims discussed: Claims 1, 4, 8, and 13-16
3. Identification of art discussed: de Boer et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,616,350), Takeguchi (U.S. Patent No. 6,735,171), and Falkenstein et al. (U.S. Patent No. 7,016,379).
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: See accompanying Amendment.
5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: See accompanying Amendment.

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6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: None

7. Results of Interview: Examiner agree to further consider the arguments set forth in accompanying Amendment.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

**It is believed that no petition or fee is required.** However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

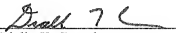
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